Similarly, the expenditure incurred by the Delhi Police during the period as follows :—

	Union Ministers	Members of Parliament
	Rs.	Rs.
Oct. 1989 .	1,74,933	64,449
Nov. 1989	1,69,290	62,370
Dec. 1989 .	73,656	1,38,105
Jan. 1990 .	73,656	1,28,898
Feb. 1990 .	66,528	97,119

News report captioned 'Airline in Asylum-Seekers Racket'

996. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY :
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE :
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news report captioned 'Airline in Asylum-Seekers Racket' which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 6th February, 1990 ;

(b) if so, how far the report that a large number of Sikhs and Afghan refugees from New Delhi were smuggled out to various cities in Eastern and Western Europe ;

(c) what is Government's reaction in this regard ; and

(d) what weakness in Indian laws have been identified in relation to this smuggling ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED) : (a) to (d) Apart from the News item 'Airline in Asylum-Seekers Racket' which appeared in the Hindustan Times, dated 7th February, 1990, no such information has come to the notice of the Government.

The Immigration authorities at all the International Airports in India, however, do not allow entry/departure of foreigners whenever their travel documents are found to be forged.

Setting up of a High-Powered Media Watch Five Member Board

997. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) Whether it is a fact that Government propose to set up a High-Powered Media Watch Five Member Board ; and

(b) if so, what could be its powers *vis-a-vis* broadcasting and telecasting authorities in the country ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA) : (a) and (b) The Government proposes to set up a Media Monitoring Committee to ensure that programming is objective, impartial and of the highest quality in radio and television.

Second channel of Madras Doordarshan

998. SHRI R. T. GOPALAN : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the people of Tamil Nadu, especially in the Southern District, are long awaiting for linking the 2nd channel of Madras Doordarshan to Kodaikanal ; and

(b) if so, by when the 2nd Madras T.V. channel is likely to be linked with Kodaikanal to benefit the T.V. viewers of Tamil Nadu ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA) : (a) and (b) The Second Channel Service at Madras, as in case of Delhi, Bombay and Calcutta, was introduced specifically to cater to the diverse needs of the local population. There is, therefore, no proposal to relay the Second Channel programmes of Doordarshan Kendra, Madras, from the TV transmitter at Kodaikanal.

S.T.D. facility at Cumbum in Tamil Nadu

999. SHRI R. T. GOPALAN : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the proposal for providing S.T.D. facility at Cumbum in Tamil Nadu is still pending with Government ; and

(b) if so, by when the S.T.D. facility is proposed to be provided at this place ?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) By March 1992.

Commercial Broadcasting Stations set up in Orissa

1000. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) what is the number of commercial Boroadcasting Stations set up in Orissa ;

(b) whether there is a need to set up some more commercial Broadcasting Stations of All India Radio in the State ; and

(c) if so, what steps are proposed to be taken by Government in that regard ?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI P. UPENDRA) : (a) At present, one Commercial Broadcasting Station with 1 KW MW Transmitter is functioning at Cuttack in Orissa.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Modernisation of police force

1001. SHRI BAIKUNTHA NATH SAHU : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have a proposal under their consideration to modernise its police force ;

(b) if so, the steps taken in that regard ;

(c) whether there is a need to review and make certain changes in the police training given at present ; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed to be taken by Government in that regard ?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MUFTI MOHAMMAD SAYEED) : (a) to (d) Modernisation of Central Police Forces is a continuous process. Depending upon actual requirements, merits of the case and financial position, various schemes to modernise Police Forces are considered by the Government from time to time and include areas like telecommunications, transportation, forensic sciences, etc. Similarly,